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Response to Amendment

The reply filed on May 2, 2008 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because line 2 of claim 50 recites "[like]" which is improper since claim 50 is a new claim. Thus, the text of claim 50 cannot be deleted since it was never presented in Patent No. 6,044,983. Additionally, the claim identifier "New" for claim 62 is improper since claim 62 has been amended in the response of May 2, 2008. Finally, the applicant has failed to present an explanation as to how the disclosure supports the new claim language "directly" in new claims 68 and 69. Although the applicant refers to lines 52-66 of column 2 of the specification for support of "directly", the term "directly" or any other reasonable support for the term directly does not appear on lines 52-66 of column 2. See 37 CFR 1.173(b), MPEP 1453. and 37 CFR 1.111.

Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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